



City of Redmond Planning Commission June 2, 2004 Meeting Summary

Planning Commissioners in Attendance:

Kimberly Allen, Kate Dunn, Charlie McCarthy, Korby Parnell, Sue Petitpas, Suzanne Querry, and Martin Snodgrass

Staff in Attendance: Lori Peckol, Terry Shirk, Redmond Planning Department; Art Sullivan, A Regional Coalition for Housing

Business Conducted:

Chair Martin Snodgrass called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The agenda was approved. There were no items from the audience.

Chair Snodgrass opened the study session on the Housing Element of the Comprehensive Plan. Commissioner Petitpas led the study session and Terry Shirk and Art Sullivan addressed questions and provided staff recommendations. The Commissioners completed all but Issues 22, 23, and the discussion of incentives, and provided direction to Ms. Shirk concerning updates.

Chair Snodgrass opened the next study session on the update of the Land Use Element. Commissioner Parnell led the study session and Lori Peckol addressed questions and provided staff recommendations. The Commissioners completed Issue 3 (concerning transfer of development rights), and Issues 8 through 11 (concerning compatibility), providing direction to Ms. Peckol concerning updates. Ms. Peckol also noted that the City had received comments on the Land Use Element from the Washington State Department of Community, Trade, and Economic Development, which were emailed to the Commissioners. She suggested that the Commission consider these comments at their next study session on the Land Use Element.

Ms. Peckol reported on the upcoming Neighborhood Services Fair and open houses concerning development of the transit and bicycle plans. She also reported on a proposed sidewalk improvement project along NE 165th Street and potential impacts to mature trees along this street. She noted that the Commissioners had recommended a new Downtown policy, DT-65, which is intended to guide improvements along 165th Avenue NE to make sure that the street retains its character of mature trees, large yards, and a narrow width. The Commissioners asked staff to draft a letter from the Planning Commission to Mayor Ives urging protection of the trees if at all feasible.

The Planning Commission adjourned at 10:00 p.m.